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SUBJ: MORE DETAILS ON ALLEGED SWAPO RAIDS

1. SAG OFFICIALS HAVE RELEASED MORE DETAILS CONCERNING WEEKEND RAIDS ON SWA BORDER POSTS ALLEGEDLY CARRIED OUT BY TWO ANGOLA-BASED "SWAPO GANGS".

SWA COMMISSIONER GENERAL FOR INDIGENOUS PEOPLES, JANNIE DE WET TOLD PRESS OCT, 14 THAT INSURGENTS SIMULTANEOUSLY ATTACKED BORDER POSTS AT EPINGA AND ONAMBUTU IN KWANYAMA TERRITORY OF OWAMBO. AUTOMATIC WEAPONS WERE FIRED INTO TENTS WHERE TRIBAL POLICEMEN WERE SLEEPING. IN ONE LOCATION TWO WERE KILLED, THREE ESCAPED. AT OTHER LOCATION, FOUR POLICEMEN, A TRIBAL SUBHEADMAN AND A WOMAN WERE KILLED.

2. DE WET RULED OUT POSSIBILITY THAT ANGOLAN LIBERATION MOVEMENTS RESPONSIBLE FOR ATTACKS BY NOTING THAT SWAPO HAD IN PAST PUBLICLY THREATENED TO MOVE AGAINST UNCLASSIFIED

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TRIBAL POLICEMEN. PRESS REPORTS INDICATE THAT ATTACKS

WERE FIRST SIGNIFICANT GUERRILLA ACTIVITIES IN SWA SINCE  
1966 ARSON AT OSHIKANGO BORDER POST. IN RECENT YEARS,  
GUERRILLA ACTIVITY HAS BEEN CONFINED TO CAPRIVI STRIP.  
LATEST INCIDENT IN STRIP OCCURRED OCTOBER 12 WHEN ONE  
NATIONAL SERVICEMAN WAS KILLED AND TWO OTHERS WOUNDED  
WHEN VEHICLE IN WHICH THEY WERE PATROLLING STRUCK  
LANDMINE.

3. OWAMBO CABINET MET OCT. 14 AND ASKED SAG TO TAKE ALL  
"EFFECTIVE STEPS" TO ENSURE TERRITORY'S BORDERS ARE  
RESPECTED.  
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